

A GEOMETRIC INEQUALITY AND ITS APPLICATION

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Let H be a Hilbert space. Suppose that $\|\cdot\|$ is a complete uniform norm on $B(H)$. Then the inequality

$$(1) \quad \|\log(a^{\frac{1}{2}}ba^{\frac{1}{2}})\| \leq \|\log a\| + \|\log b\|$$

holds for every pair $a, b \in B(H)_+^{-1}$. Applying this inequality we prove that certain subsets of the positive cone of a unital C^* -algebra is a *generalized gyrovector space* with respect to these norms. We exhibit the form of surjective isometries on these subsets of the positive cones with respect to the metric induced by these complete uniform norms.